

House Resolution No. 1234

Whereas, it is with utmost respect that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause in their daily legislative endeavors in order to recognize those Show-Me State residents who truly embody the concept of Outstanding Missourian through their deeds and achievements; and

Whereas, Russell Heindselman has attained considerable distinction in life as a conservationist, entrepreneur, and poet whose poems have hung in the offices of several governors and numerous state representatives from the First District; and

Whereas, an agriculturalist whose fifteen acres are the epitome of diversification, Russell Heindselman raises catfish and quail for the food market, bait fish and worms for his tackle business, sweet corn and raspberries for the nearby Quincy, Illinois, farmers markets, and grapes for wine production; and

Whereas, Russell Heindselman also produces and sells his own design of bluebird houses which are predator and rain resistant due to a flat roof, ridges to direct moisture, and the use of a narrow mounting pole which is difficult for animals to climb; and

Whereas, in addition to his innovative use of carpet scraps to protect tree trunks, Russell Heindselman utilizes his knowledge of trees to produce large, thin-shelled pecans which are rare in production this far north and which provide a source for pecan seed and grafting wood for a separate, independent Missouri nursery; and

Whereas, on Tuesday, April 1, 2003, Russell Heindselman will meet with state legislators in the Missouri House of Representatives to receive well-deserved honors and accolades for the exemplary role he has performed in the La Grange area as an entrepreneur and business person dedicated to ensuring a diverse, thriving economy:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the significant contributions made by Russell Heindselman on behalf of the people and institutions of Missouri and to extend to him this legislative body's most heartfelt welcome to the state capitol on April 1, 2003, for special recognition as a guest in the House Chamber; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of "Outstanding Missourian" Russell Heindselman of La Grange in Lewis County.

Offered by _____
Representative Brian Munzlinger
District No. 1
Joined by the entire House of Representatives

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 1234, adopted April 1, 2003.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker